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## LEE STATUE WANTED

Don P. Halsey Believes Congress Will Welcome Effigy.

PUTS IT UP TO DELEGATION

Resolutions of Appreciation, in Line With Expressions of Love for South, Expected by State Commissioner.

"If resolutions are passed by Congress accepting the statue of Lee placed in Statuary Hall in the Capitol it will serve to illustrate the fact that the great civil war and its bitterness are, indeed, things of the past, and that reunion and reconciliation have taken their place."

So spoke Don P. Halsey, Virginia state senator from the Lynchburg district, last night, in discussing the placing of Gen. Lee's statue in the Hall of Fame and the protests made against it.

Virginia Within Her Rights.

"As I understand the matter, no acceptance is necessary," he said. "Virginia has simply exercised the right of every state, under the federal statute governing the matter, of selecting two of her dead citizens illustrious for their civil and military services and for their historic renown, to be commemorated by their statues in the place set aside by law for this purpose. So far as Virginia is concerned, the matter is at an end. The commission, of which I am a member, has performed all of its functions and the statues have been duly placed in the hall."

"As to whether Congress shall follow the precedent established in the majority of previous instances and pass resolutions of appreciation, that is a matter for Congress to decide. I have the greatest confidence in the wisdom, patriotism and good taste of the Virginia delegation in Congress and am content to leave it to them to decide whether they will initiate resolutions of that sort or not. For my own part, I can see no good reason why they should hesitate to do so if they deem it proper."

Evidence of Reunited Country.

"If such resolutions are introduced and passed it will serve to illustrate the fact that the great civil war and its bitterness are indeed things of the past and that reunion and reconciliation have taken their place. If they are not passed it will be taken by many to mean that much of the expression of good will toward the south from northern sources is insincere."

"I, for one, do not believe this. I have always believed, and now believe, that the presentation of Washington and Lee as Virginia's representatives in the National Pantheon will be taken by the vast majority of the people of the country, without reference to section or party, not only as the exercise of a legal right which belongs to Virginia as well as to every other state, but as a graceful and patriotic expression of her loyalty and good will to the nation, of which she is a part, and which, as shown in the Spanish war, she stands ready to defend with the blood of her sons."

Expects Congress to Approve.

"I believe, furthermore, that if resolu-

tions of thanks to Virginia are offered they will pass both houses of Congress with practical unanimity, and that no one will be found willing to make such a sad spectacle of himself as to raise his voice in protest, and thereby exhibit, nearly half a century after the war, a lack of magnanimity and a spirit of sectional bitterness wholly out of accord with the prevailing sentiment of fraternal regard and national unity."

"President Taft, than whom no President since the war has been more trusted or better beloved by the South, sounded the keynote when he said in Richmond a few weeks ago that he wanted the southern states to fully understand that they are as much a part of the Union and have as many rights and privileges in the Union as any other states. And such, I confidently believe, is the real sentiment of the north."

"The expressions of many leading papers and periodicals and of many prominent public men in the north are accepted by the people of Virginia at their face value, as showing that both Lee and Washington are honored throughout the land and worthy to stand with the noblest sons that the other states can put forward."

"Certainly we in Virginia can be pardoned for feeling that we have nothing to fear from a comparison of her representatives with those of any other state."

JAMES WOODWARD DIES.

Was For Many Years Guard at District Jail.

James Woodward, for many years a guard at the United States jail, this city, died at 2 o'clock this morning at his home, No. 236 10th street northeast. Mr. Woodward was seventy-five years of age. His widow and several children survive him.

The funeral services will be held at 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon at his late residence, Rev. John Compton Ball, pastor of the Metropolitan Baptist Church, will officiate. Interment will be made in Congressional cemetery. Members of Peninsula Lodge, No. 23, F. A. A. M., of which the deceased was a member, will act as pallbearers and have charge of the service at the grave.

Building Permits Issued.

The following building permits were issued today:

To American Security and Trust Company, for one four-story brick stone and steel residence at 2224 16th street northwest; architect, Nathan C. Wyeth; builder, George A. Fuller Company; estimated cost, \$120,000.

To John M. Henderson, for six two-story brick dwellings on G street northwest; architect, C. E. Webb; builder, John M. Henderson; estimated cost, \$12,000.

To S. C. Caywood, to repair office and apartment house at 915 New York avenue northwest; architect, C. E. Webb; builder, S. E. Williamson; estimated cost, \$5,000.

To Keenan Brothers, repair store at 611 7th street northwest; architect, James H. Warner; builder, not decided; estimated cost, \$3,000.

Audubon Society's Annual Meeting.

Arrangements for the annual meeting of the Audubon Society of the District were partially made at a meeting of the executive committee, held at the residence of Justice Barnard, the president of the society, yesterday afternoon. Announcement of the date of the annual meeting will be made in the near future.

## HITS MAIL LOTTERY

De Graw Would Change Method of Dead Letters Sale.

REVENUE WAS \$29,234.21

Increase in Mail Handled on Rural Delivery Routes Is Nearly Doubled in One Year.



P. V. De Graw.

The method of disposing of unclaimed articles sent to the dead letter division of the Post Office Department, against which complaint was recently made by Charles H. Roeder of Silver Spring, Md., is the subject of a recommendation in the annual report of Fourth Assistant Postmaster General P. V. De Graw, made public today.

Mr. De Graw says: "Attention is again called to the desirability of amending section 3938, Revised Statutes, so as to reduce to one year from the date of registry the period of time during which undelivered articles or their proceeds can be reclaimed, thus permitting the adoption of an improved method of disposing of such articles that would eliminate the objectionable lottery features of the present method and reduce the work of the division in making records, etc."

The report also shows that the revenue derived from dead mail matter for the year amounted to \$29,234.21, from the following sources: Sale of merchandise, \$10,044.01; removed from letters and found loose in the mails, \$18,874.82; currency received for postage, \$315.38.

Rural Delivery Progress.

An increase of 96 per cent in the amount

of mail handled on rural free delivery routes in the fiscal year ended June 30 last is shown. In his comments upon this showing, Mr. De Graw says:

"This remarkable increase is conclusive evidence that the institution of rural delivery has enlarged the amount of the mails, and therefore increased the revenues. This is true, although 45 per cent of the bulk of the mail on rural routes is second-class matter, as the increase applies to all classes of matter, especially to letters and postal cards, the latter due to the enormous use of souvenir or picture postcards."

Facilities Increase Mail.

Mr. De Graw says that "the installation of rural delivery as a rule has been followed by an increase in the amount of mail delivered and collected within the territories respectively covered by that service."

During the last fiscal year the total expenditure for rural free delivery was \$55,661,654, an increase over the previous year of \$1,280,005.

Good roads have been promoted by the Post Office Department in all proper ways. In this connection the report says:

"There has been unprecedented improvement of the condition of roads traversed by rural carriers due to the intelligent and well directed interest of postmasters and carriers."

HUBBARD SCHOOL PICTURES.

Formal Presentation to Board by League Tomorrow Afternoon.

Pictures secured by the League for the Decoration of the Public Schools for the Hubbard School will be formally presented by the president of the league to the board of education at the Hubbard School tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock. The superintendent of schools, the supervisor of the division, the director of art and members of the board of education and the league will be in attendance. The League for the Decoration of the Public Schools was formed less than a year ago for the object its name signifies. It has now over 200 subscribing members. Pictures have been secured through its agency not only for the Hubbard, but for the McVan New School, and in the former building the tinting of the walls has been done under the supervision of the chairman of its committee on decoration, Miss Grace Lincoln Temple. Recently the librarian of Congress granted the league permission to draw upon duplicate pictures are being obtained.

The work of the league is endorsed and supported by the District Commissioners, the municipal architect, the board of education, the Chamber of Commerce, Washington Chapter of the American Institute of Architects, Architectural Club and other local organizations.

The officers of the league are Mrs. Charles W. Richardson, president; Mr. A. J. Parsons and Dr. E. E. Brown, vice presidents; Miss Lella Mechlin, secretary, and Mr. Charles J. Bell, treasurer.

## 'BAT' MEETS 'SETH'

Famous Westerners Clasp Hands for First Time.

WAS AT THE PRESS CLUB

Masterson and Bullock Had Never Seen Each Other Before.

SWAP SOME OLD STORIES

Wild Days in the Wild West When

Roosevelt Was a Cowpuncher Recalled at Chance Meeting.

"Mr. Masterson, this is Mr. Bullock. I think you two have never met before."

The introducer was Alfred Henry Lewis. He was bringing together two noted characters of the west in the days when the west was the west. Strange as it turned out, when the two had talked together a few minutes, W. B. Masterson, better known as Bat Masterson, and Seth Bullock, now a United States marshal in South Dakota, had never met before. They had been in the same wild territory in the early '70s, and had heard of each other all their lives, but it remained for them to come face to face for the first time in the National Press Club, in Washington, many years after the stirring days of their early manhood.

Masterson came down from New York for a pleasure trip. Bullock is in Washington on business.

Differ in Their Make-Ups.

As the two men stood up and shook hands they presented a striking contrast. Masterson, slightly above medium height, heavily built, looked up into the hawk-like face of the tall, angular Bullock.

"Why, you've got all your hair left, even if it is gray," Masterson remarked. He glanced at the short-cropped, thick shock that adorned Bullock's head. "Mine is going fast," added Masterson, plaintively, as he rubbed his hand over his sparsely covered dome.

And then, aided and abetted by Alfred Henry Lewis, whose main object in life, when not writing, is to sit up all night telling and listening to interesting stories, Masterson and Bullock started in on a string of reminiscences that would serve as material for a hundred wild and woolly western novels.

"What ever became of So-and-So?" Masterson asked.

"Why, he was hanged," replied Bullock, with a note of regret in his voice. Another man had been killed by Bill Whate-

ver, Masterson said, "was when he had been in the White House about a year. He sent for me to come to see him. I went. There was a big crowd there, but he spotted me and rushed over."

"How are you, Bat?" he said. "Now before you go any further tell me how you made Denver. Ed Smith whip Joe Goddard that time in Denver?"

"I was so badly rattled at the way he came at me I just said: 'Why, Smith was the better man.' 'No, he wasn't,' the president said; 'Goddard, on his record, figured to whip Smith easily.'"

"When I got my breath I told the president I had got behind Smith in his corner and told him to rush right at Goddard at the top of the bell and get him quick. Smith did it and had Goddard whipped before they got well started. That was back in the early '90s."

"This other story Al is kidding me about was when Mr. Roosevelt gave his last public reception as president. Bill Tilman and several others of us were here. We called on the president and he told us to come up to the reception. I told him I didn't have any evening clothes, but he said that made no difference, to come anyhow."

"Al Lewis and I went back to the hotel. He said there was a man here who rented those make-ups and he would have him fix me up."

"I'll bring the hotel valet up to the room," says Lewis, dominating-like, and he'll measure you and fix you up all right."

The valet came and did the measuring. Lewis bossing the job like he was the head man in a tailoring establishment. I stood around like a stalled ox, quiet and submissive, but I was thinking all the time. The more I thought the more convinced I became that I would look like a pig in those clothes. But I never said anything.

"Finally the valet went out. I made some excuse, slipped out and collared him."

Cut It for the Depot.

"You screw back where you came from and don't bring any dress suit to me," I said. "Don't say anything to Mr. Lewis, but just don't show your face around here again."

"Then I waited for Al to go out. As soon as he disappeared I packed my grip, beat it down to the office, paid my bill and lit out for the railroad station. I caught the 4 o'clock train for New York. At Baltimore, I wired Lewis that I hoped he would enjoy the reception and to come tell me about it when he got to New York."

The only thing I hated was to miss seeing Bill Tilman in a dress suit. That would have been worth a hundred dollars to me.

"The last I heard of him was when he led a posse that hanged a horse thief," said Bullock. "They took the fellow outside of town to hang him. They found a tree that had a convenient limb, underneath which was a hay shock just about the right height. They put the horse thief on the hay shock, fixed the rope around his neck and slung it over the limb."

"That thief was a cool customer. He looked at the hay shock and then at the ground. Turning to the crowd, he said: 'Look here, boys, I am new at this hay-shock scheme. Tell me, do I slide off or jump off?'"

It was rather early this morning when

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

RANDLE HIGHLANDS—United States Realty Company, 710 Josiah F. Krause, lot 17, block 532; \$10.

NORTH RANDLE HIGHLANDS—American Security and Trust Company, trustee, lot 3, block 541; \$10.

RANDLE HIGHLANDS—National Savings and Trust Company, trustee, to Harry J. Kefauver, lot 41, block 540; \$10.

RANDLE HIGHLANDS—National Savings and Trust Company, trustee, to John T. Graham, lot 17, block 534; \$10.

PETWORTH—Elizabeth M. Cauffman to E. Ida Rhoads, lot 27, square 28; \$10.

E. Ida Rhoads et vir, William L. Samuel Cunningham, part lot 27, square 28; \$10.

HOLMEAD MANOR—James D. Risdon et ux, to Jennie E. Abbott, lots 135, 136, 137, block 45; \$10.

KENLY WORTH—Robert F. Wright, Jr., et ux, to John T. Sanderson, lots 2 and 27, block 3; \$10. John T. Sanderson conveys same property to Elizabeth C. Wright, \$10.

EIGHTH AND K STREETS NORTH—Bast-Sarah B. Miller to Edward T. Crismon, lot 43, square 90; \$10.

PETWORTH—Nellie M. L. Jenkins et vir, William, to Jennie E. Abbott, lot 4, square 42; \$10.

INGLESEN—Eugene A. Jones, trustee, to William B. Matthews, lots 20, 46, 47, block 4; \$4,724.98.

B STREET NORTH—Between 24 and 4th streets—Russell B. King to Herman R. Howenstein, part original lot 13, square 75; \$10.

TWINING CITY—Harry E. Gladman et ux, to Charles R. McKenney, lot 32, block 1; \$10.

CHEVY CHASE—Chevy Chase Land Company et al., to Clifford K. Berryman, lot 31 and part lot 32, square 1868; \$10.

NOS. 1501 AND 1503 CAROLING STREET—Northwest—Daniel Coyne to Sarah L. H. Coyne, lots 98 and 99, square 190; \$10.

NO. 220 NEW YORK AVENUE NORTH—West—Lydia M. B. Robinson et al., to Elizabeth C. Johnson, lots 262 and 263, Lanier Heights and lots 676, 688, 689 Pleasant Plains; \$10.

CHEVY CHASE—James W. Simpson et al., to Ernest Knaebel, lot 72, square 1867; \$10.

WISCONSIN AVENUE NORTHWEST—Between O and P streets—Richard D. Simms, trustee, to George B. Pitts, lot 165, square 1244; \$10.

LANGDON PARK—Joseph A. Taft et ux, to Oliver C. Knipe, lot 9, square 425; \$10.

OLIVER C. Knipe et ux, convey same property to Charles A. and Eva R. March, \$10.

352 AND 354 ARMORY PLACE SOUTH—West—James S. Fraser et ux, to Robert A. Miller, part lot 11, reservation C. H.

1625 MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE NORTHWEST—Lydia M. B. Robinson et al., to Callie Thaw Perry, lot 139, square 1861; \$10.

CHEVY CHASE—Chevy Chase Land Company to John Simpson, lots 53 and 57, square 1868; \$10.

223 FOURTEENTH STREET SOUTH—East—George W. King et ux, to Robert M. McCaffrey, lot 21, square 1039; \$10.

HOLMEAD MANOR—Nannie J. Morris et ux, to William A. Craig, lot 46, block 44; \$10.

312 FOURTEENTH STREET NORTH—West—Alida B. Browne, trustee, to Edmund Becker, part lot 14, block 36, Columbia Heights; \$6,700.

EIGHTH AND G STREETS NORTH—East—George W. Patterson et ux, to John M. Henderson, lots 23 to 25, square 801; \$10.